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FOR: WELLMAN (S/NM)

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SNAR, TU
SUBJECT: US VIEWS ON ITEM 9 OF CND AGENDA: SUPPLY OF
OPIATES FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES

REF: A. STATE 26073
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1. MISOFF CONVEYED TO KIRCA DETAILS OF USG POSITION ON OPIUM ITEM AS STATED PARAS 1-4 REF A.

2. KIRCA REFERRED TO OFFICIAL STATEMENTS MADE RECENTLY BY TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER ON OPIUM QUESTION IT TERMS SUMMARIZED REF B. SAID HE READS THESE STATEMENTS AS DESIGNED TO START NEW DIALOGUE WITH USG. NOTED HE MUCH APPRECIATES BEING KEPT ADVISED RE OUR VIEWS ON OPIUM QUESTION BUT BELIEVES THAT WHILE HE CAN SERVE AS "PARALLEL CHANNEL" TO TURKISH GOVT, PRESENT SITUATION CALLS FOR EXCHANGE BEING INITIATED WITH GOT THROUGH AMERICAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA. SAID HE KNOWS TURKISH GOVT IS AWAITING APPROACH BY U.S., "THIS I CAN TELL YOU." REITERATED HE CONSIDERS IT ESSENTIAL THAT U.S. VIEWS BE CONVEYED DIRECTLY IN
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ANKARA BY U.S. AMBASSADOR, AND THAT THIS BE DONE "NO LATER THAN

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BEGINNING OF WEEK OF FEB 11."

2. KIRCA SAID THAT AT PRESENT HE HAS NO "FINAL INSTRUCTIONS" ON ITEM 9, THAT "MANY THINGS WILL DEPEND ON WHAT GOES ON BETWEEN YOUR AMBASSADOR AND GOT IN ANKARA." NOTED THAT IF DIALOGUE CAN BE INITIATED PROMPTLY HE MIGHT BE IN POSITION TALK ABOUT HOW PROCEED IN CND AROUND FEB 15 AND WOULD LIKE TALK WITH USDEL THEN. HE SUGGESTED MEETING AT 10:30 AM FEB 15.

3. KIRCA ADDED THAT IN MEANTIME HE WISHED MAKE FOLLOWING "PERSONAL" COMMENTS WHICH HE HOPED MISSOFF WOULD PASS ALONG TO WASH. HE CONSIDERS IT WOULD BE "WISEST" NOT TO PRESS FOR ANY RESOLUTION IN UPCOMING CND. BELIEVES BEST COURSE WOULD BE TO SVOID ANY FORMAL ACTION AND PROCEED ON BASIS THAT U.S. AND OTER DELEGATIONS WOULD MAKE STATEMENTS OF THEIR GOVTS' POSITIONS WHICH WOULD BE SUMMARIZED IN CND REPORT TO ECOSOC. HE COMMENTED IT WOULD NOT BE PRUDENT "TO PUSH A NEW GOVT WHICH HAD A CERTAIN POSITION IN AN ELECTION CAMPAIGN AND HAS NOW BEGUN MAKE WISER STATEMENTS." IT WOULD NOT BE "GENTLE" APPROACH TO PUSH THAT GOVT TO "FORMAL CAPITULATION FOR TEN YEARS." THIS WOULD BE MUCH TO "PROBACATIVE" AND WOULD LEAD TO "UNFORTUNATE EXCALATION."

4. KIRCA NOTED ALSO THAT HE CONSIDERS THAT RECENT STATEMENTS MADE BY TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER SHOULD BE INTERPRETED AS "PRELUDE TO INCREASE IN AMERICAN ASSISTANCE" TO TURKEY AND HE THOUGHT THIS SHOULD BE REGARDED AS IN MUTUAL INTERESTS OF OUR TWO GOVTS, AND "AS BUSINESS, NOT BLACKMAIL." CONVERSATION ENDED BY KIRCA URGING AGAIN THAT U.S. VIEWS ON OPIUM QUESTION BE CONVEYED TURKISH GOVT IN ANKARA NO LATER THAN BEGINNING OF WEEK OF FEB 11.DALE

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